



**First results on visualization
of the acetone supersonic gas jet
by means of the PLIF-technique.**

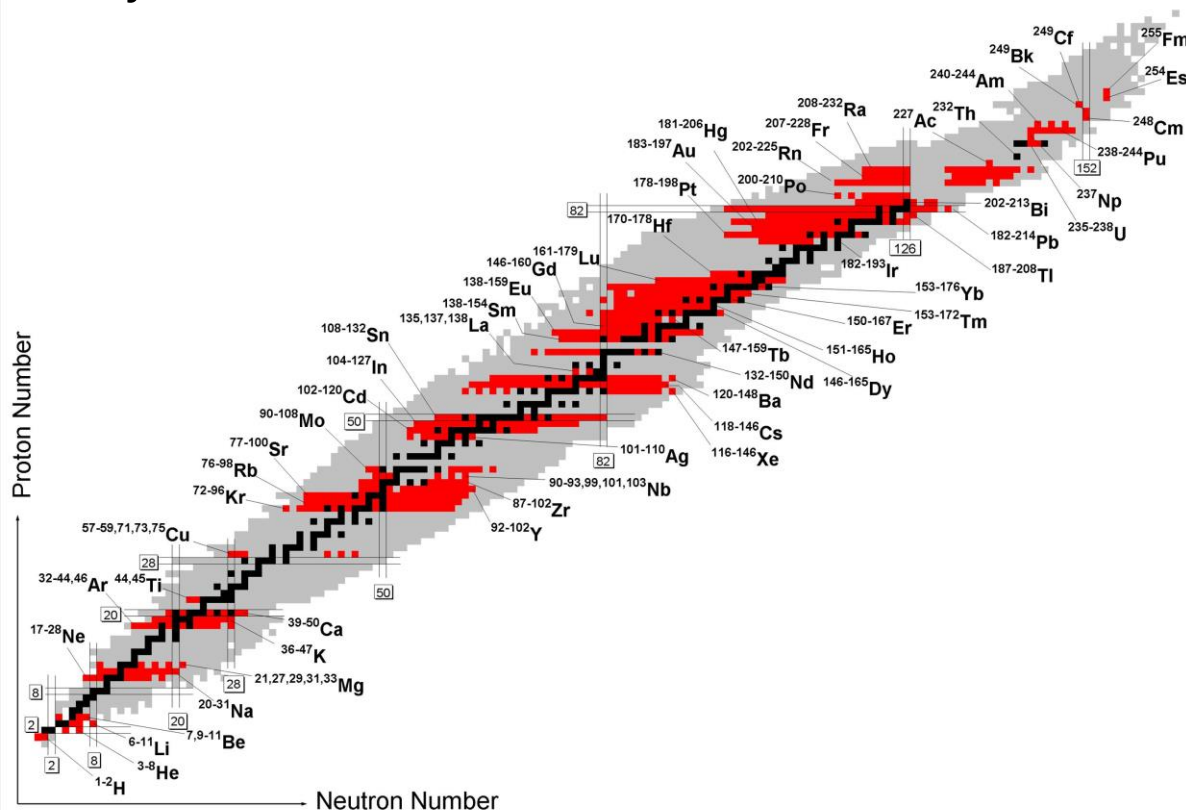
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Plan:

1. Goal of the research;
2. Experimental technique;
3. The first results on the PLIF-tests from the IGLIS-laboratory;
4. Conclusions.

Heavy Elements Laser Ionization and Spectroscopy → HELIOS project (KU Leuven)

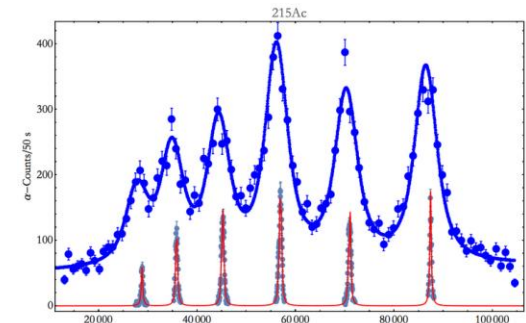
The goal of the project: to study nuclear and atomic properties of isotopes of the heavy elements.



Ways to enhance the spectral resolution and efficiency:

1. Low temperature ($\Delta\vartheta_{\text{Doppler}_T} \sim \vartheta * \sqrt{T/A}$);
2. Low density ($\Delta\vartheta_{\text{Collision}} = \gamma^{293K} * (T/T_{293K})^{0.3} * \rho$);
3. Uniform jet.

→ μeV (hyperfine structure)!



In-gas-jet laser spectroscopy (experimental layout)

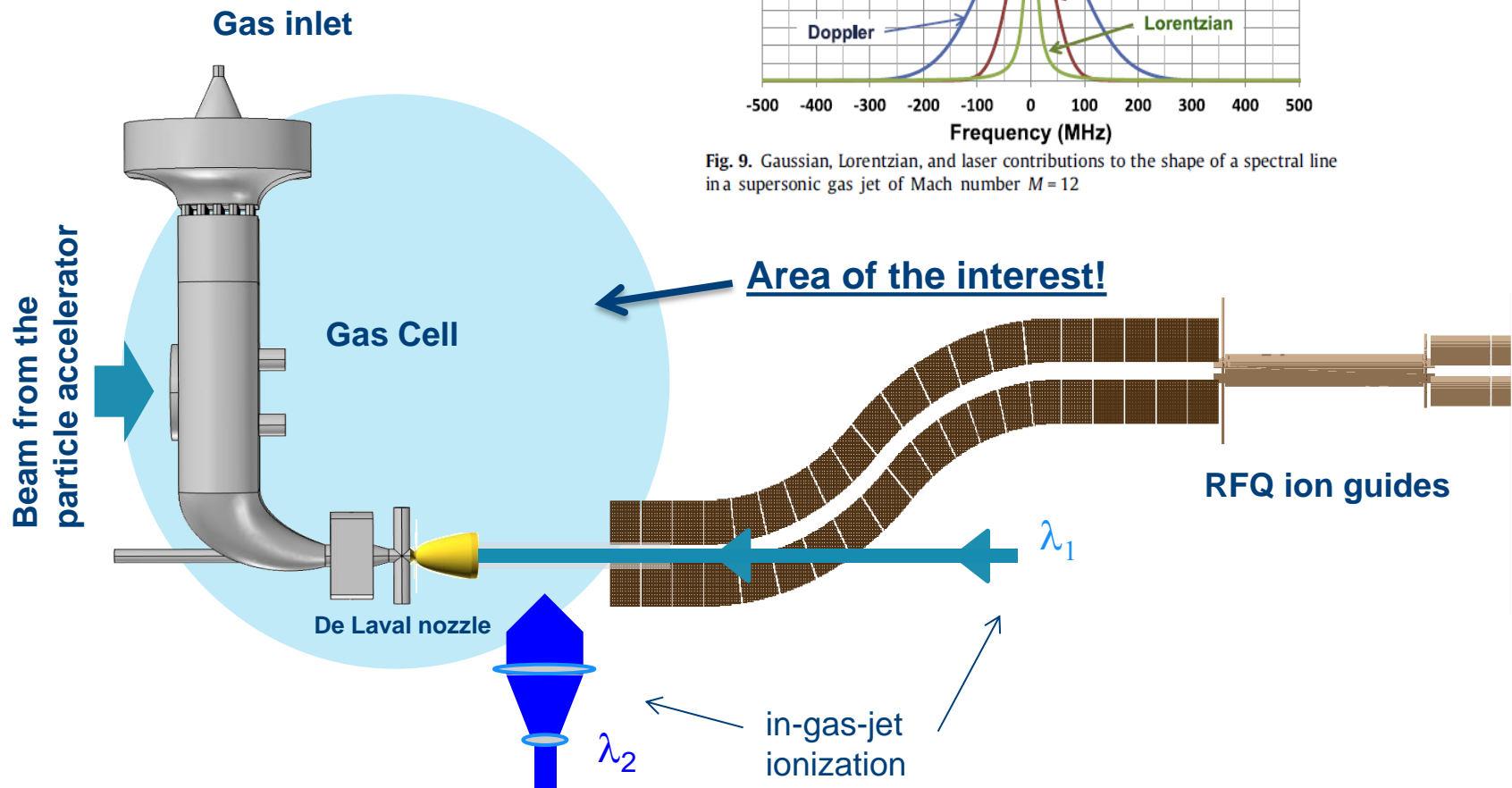
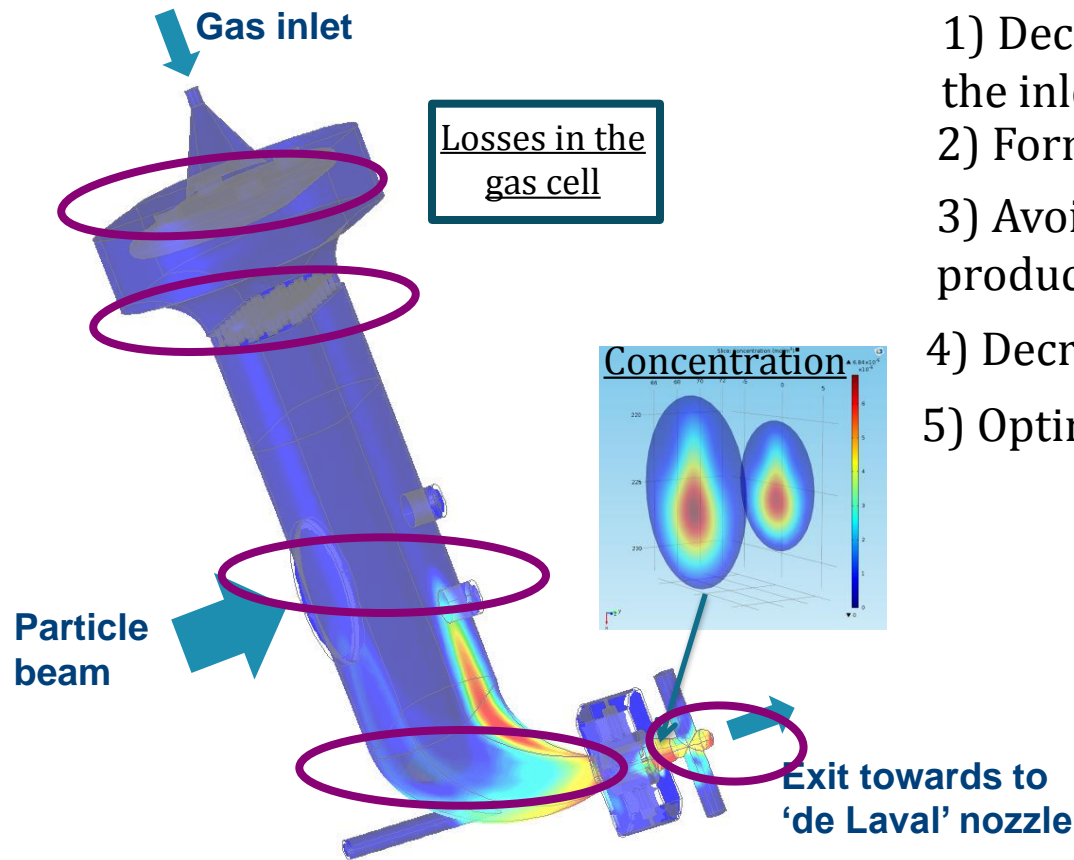


Fig. 9. Gaussian, Lorentzian, and laser contributions to the shape of a spectral line in a supersonic gas jet of Mach number $M = 12$

[1] Yu. Kudryavtsev et al, NIM B 297 (2013) 7 - 22

Optimization of the gas cell and of the de Laval nozzle

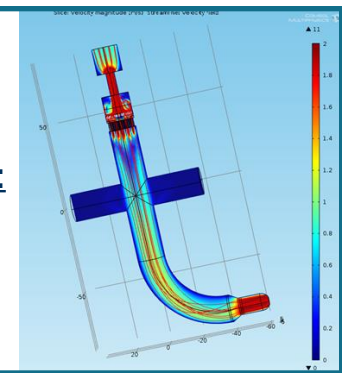
1. Gas cell



Important features in the optimization:

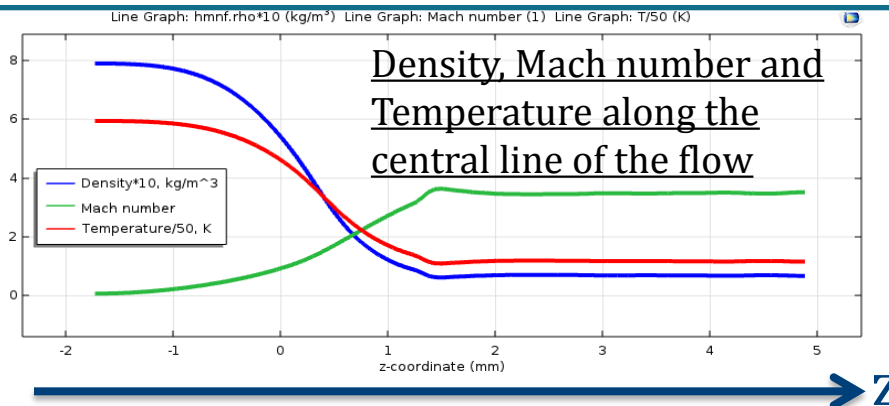
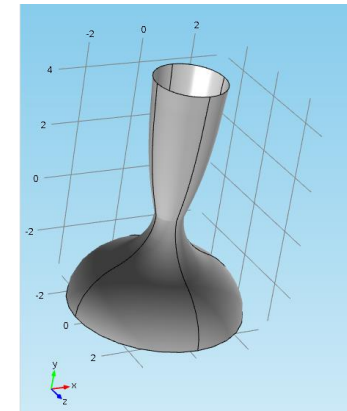
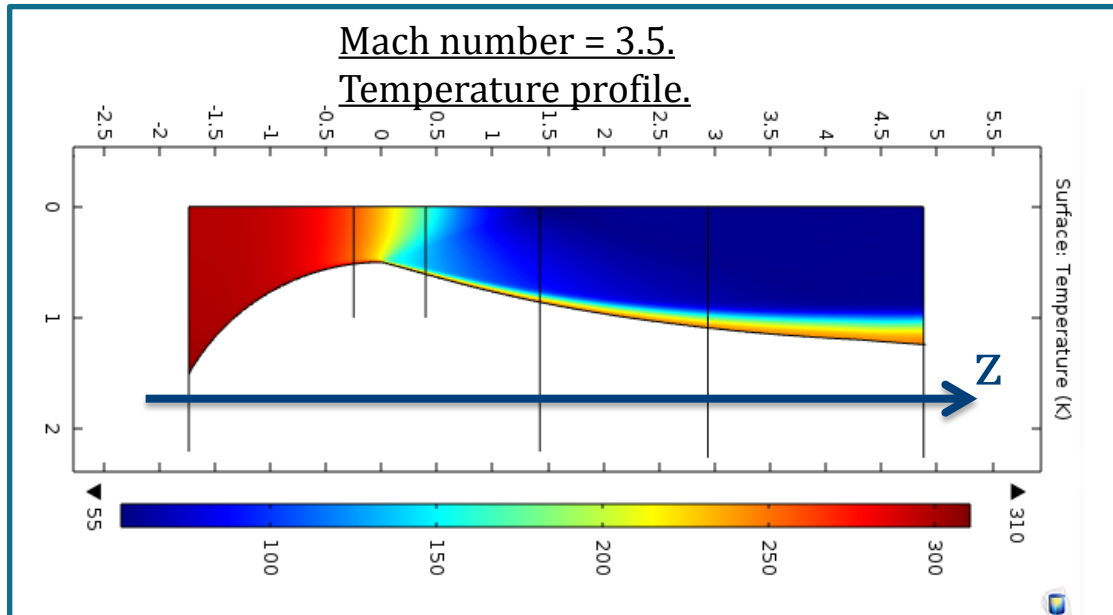
- 1) Decrease the velocity of the flow after the inlet;
- 2) Form the non-turbulent flow;
- 3) Avoid the losses of the nuclear reaction products on the walls of the cell;
- 4) Decrease the losses on the turning path;
- 5) Optimization of the diameter of the exit.

Gas cell for the first tests:



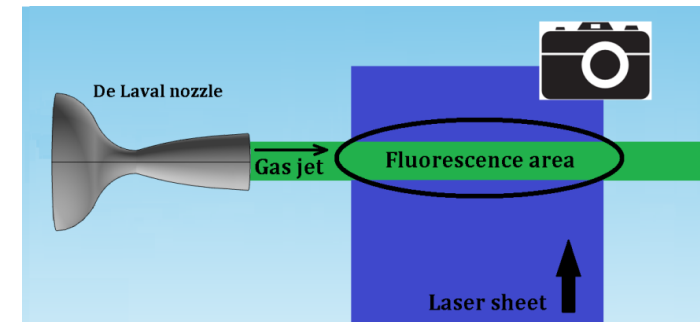
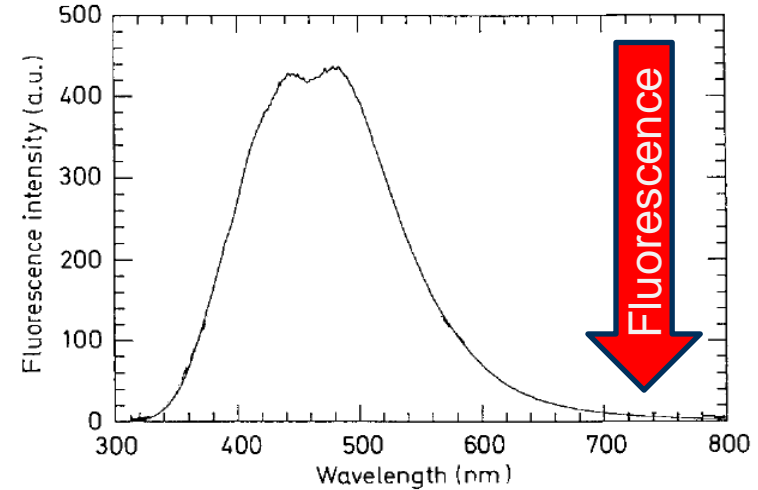
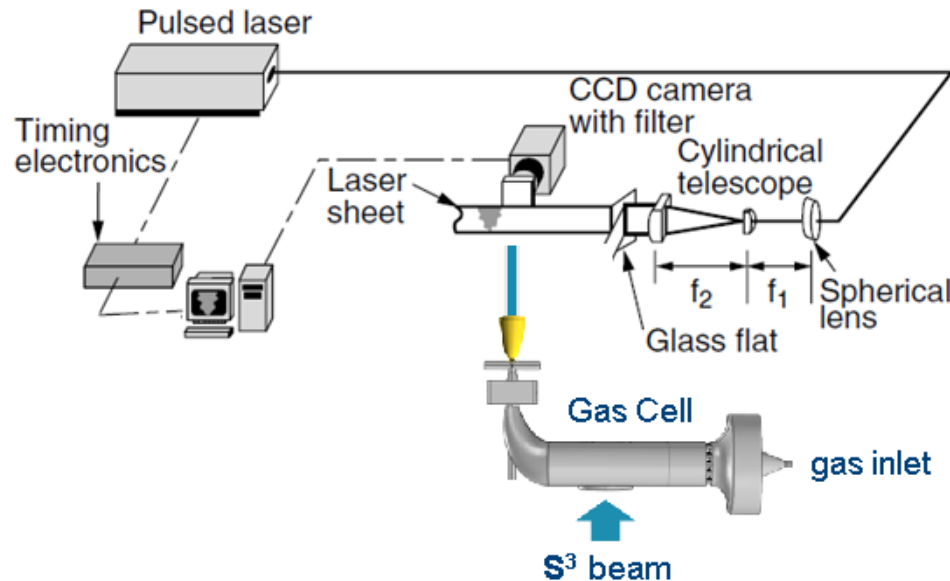
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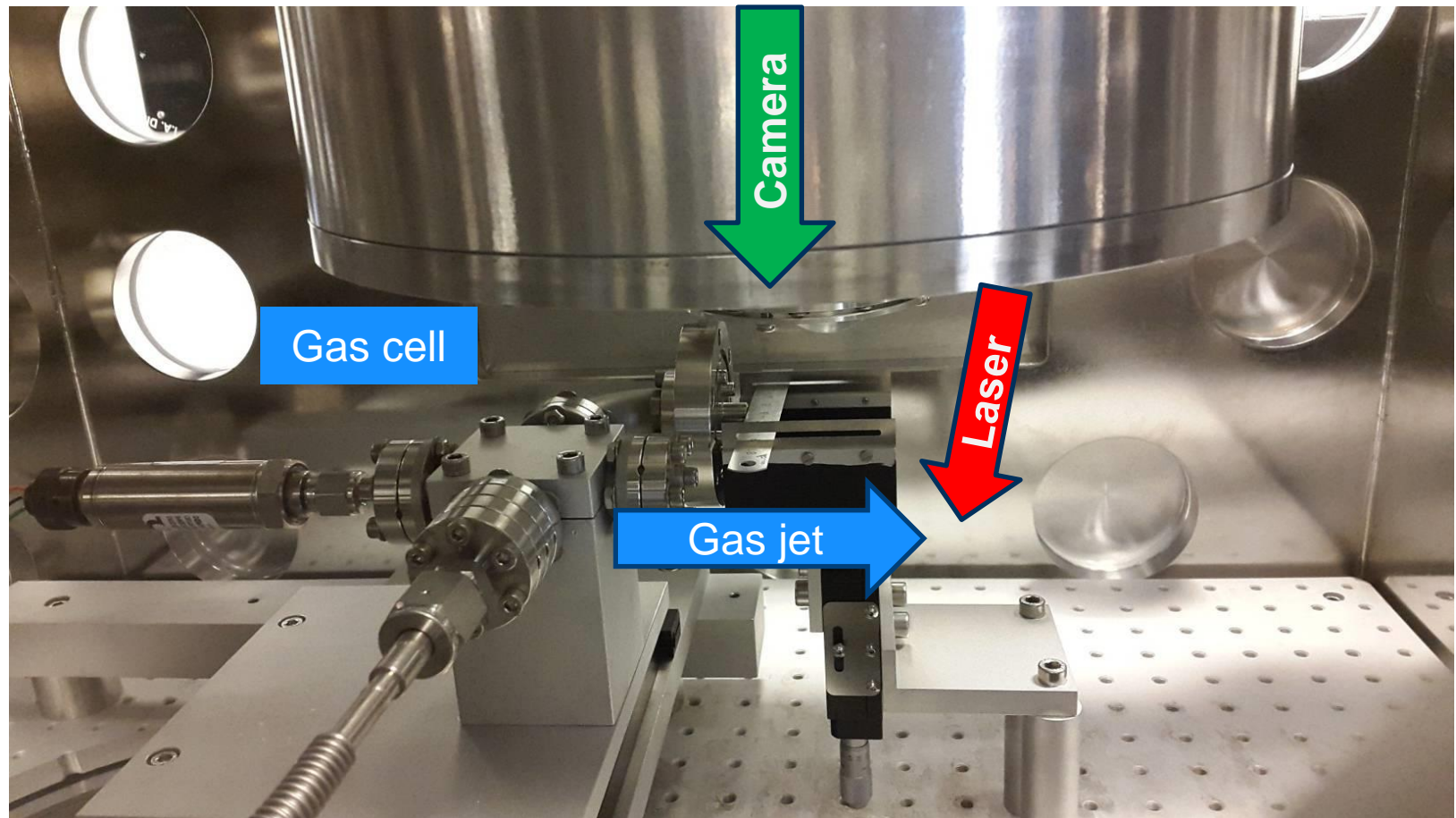
2. De Laval nozzle



Planar Laser Induced Fluorescence - technique (PLIF)

In order to obtain information about density, temperature and velocity distributions for the gas jet and for the isotopes in the gas jet we can use PLIF-technique.

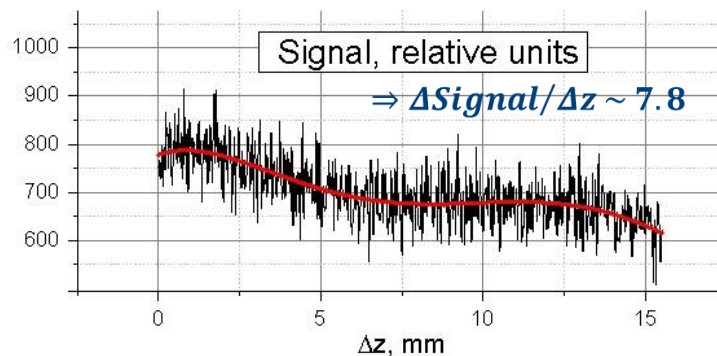
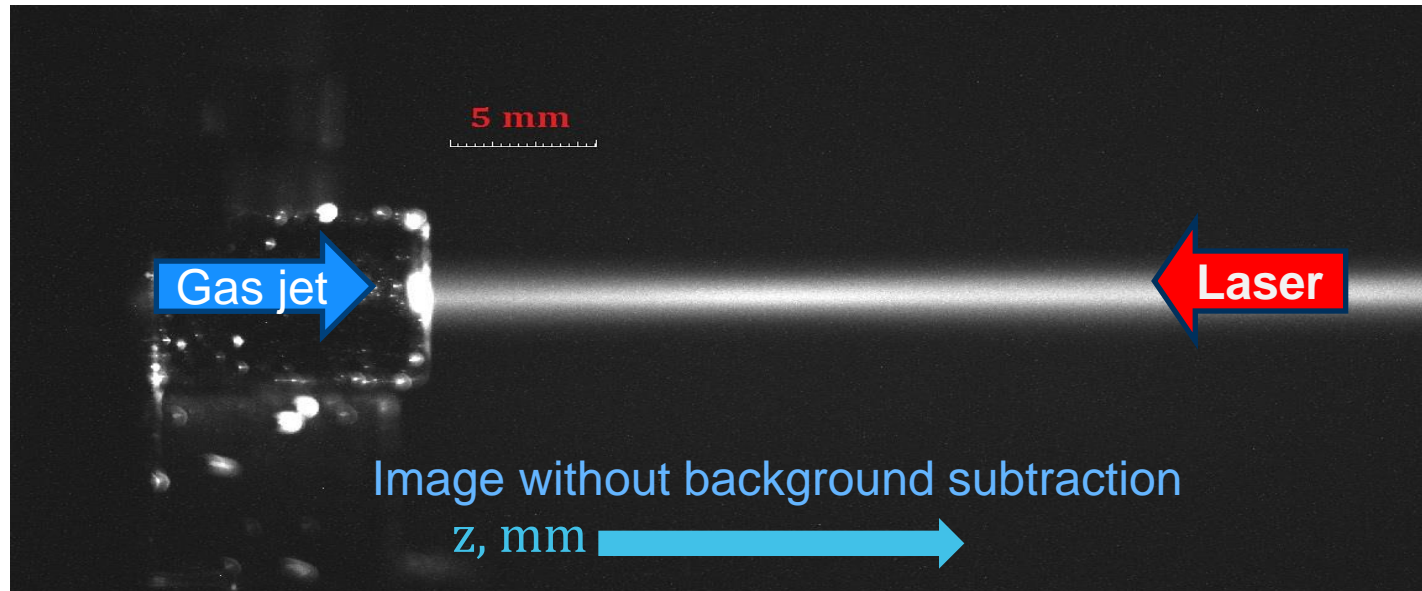




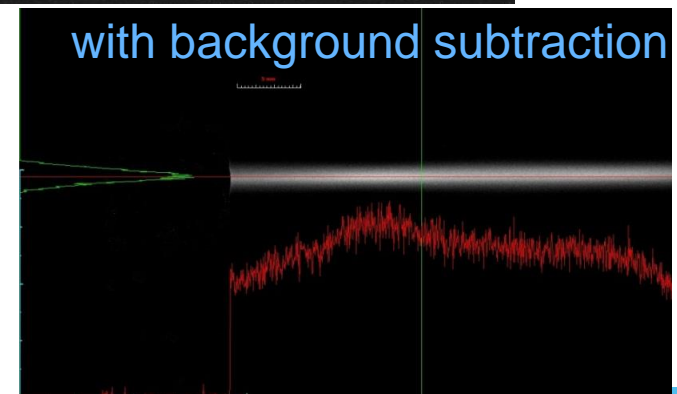
Acetone PLIF (longitudinal direction)

*images were taken with the CMOS camera Hamamatsu Photonics, C11440-42U.

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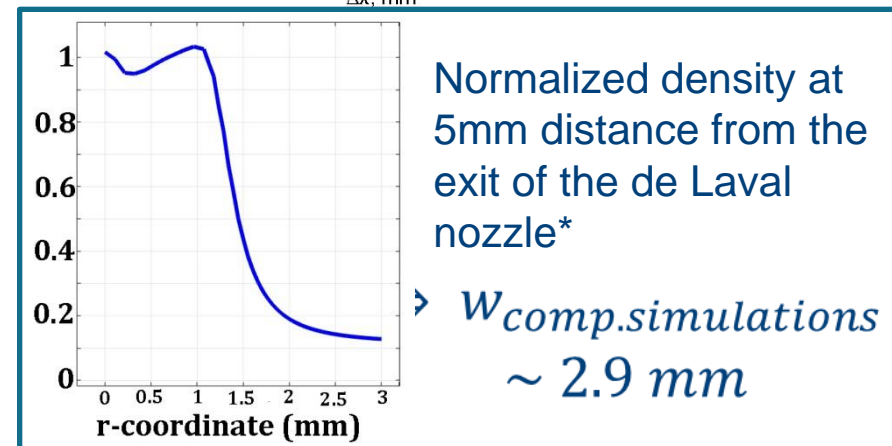
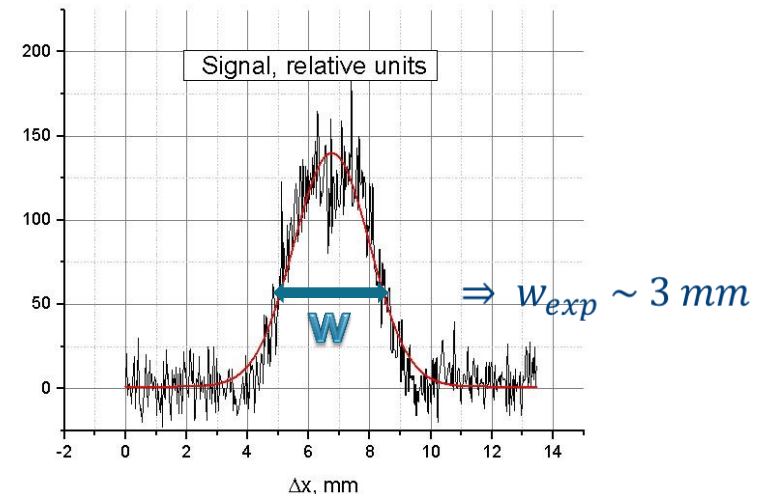
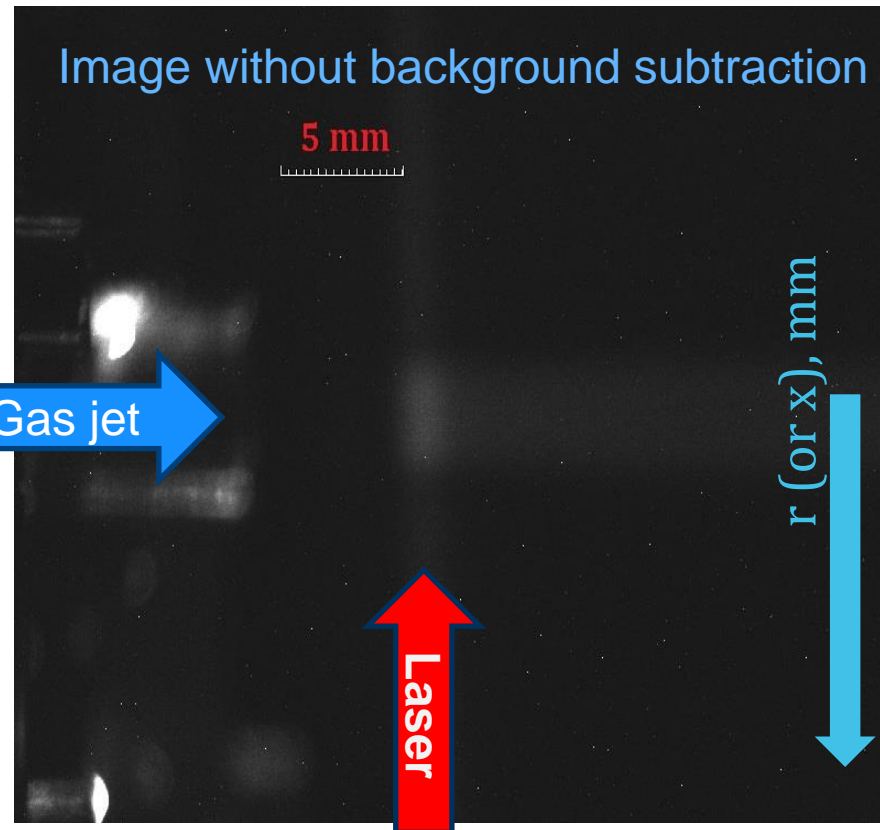
The full visible length of the gas jet during the test ~ 15 cm



Acetone PLIF (transversal direction)

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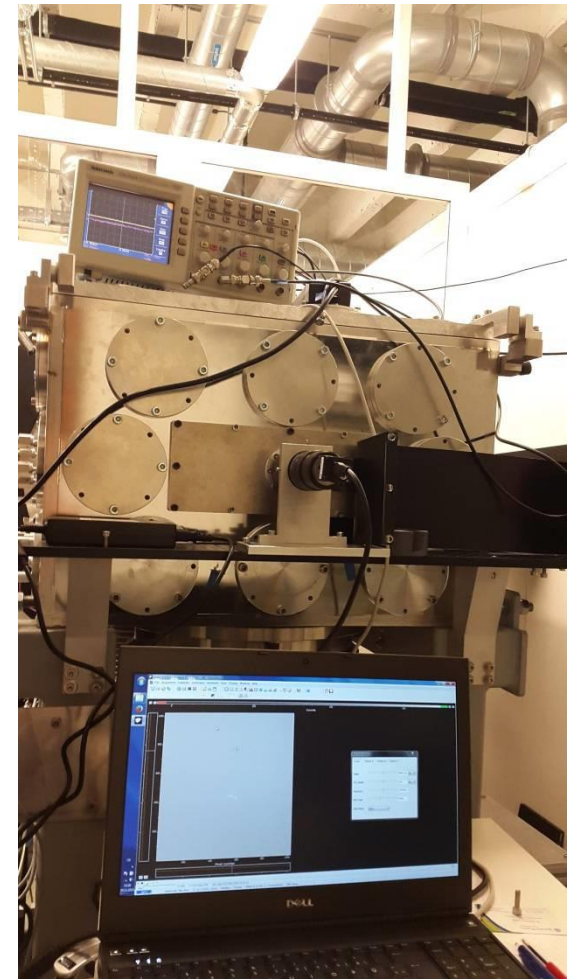
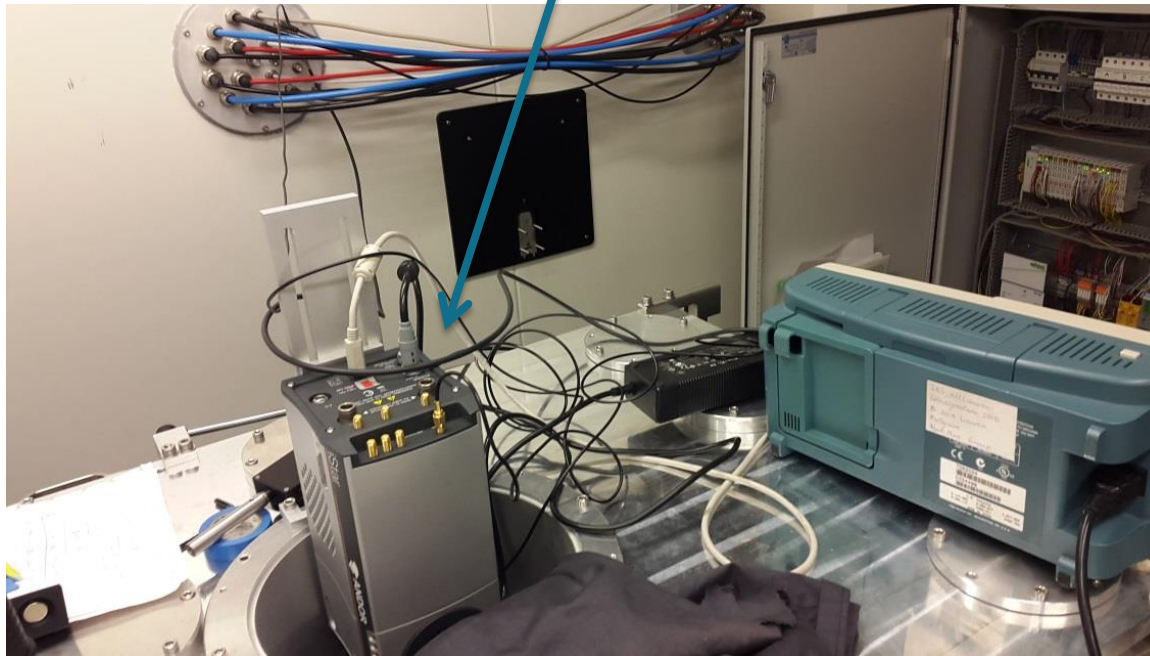
P0 = 1350mbar; P_jet_5.5 = 3.3mbar. P1 = 4mbar. **P1 > P_jet!**



*Simulations in COMSOL Multiphysics

Tests with ANDOR camera and acetone gas jet :

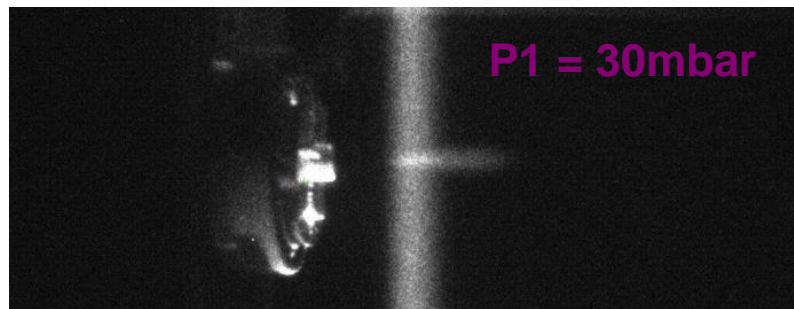
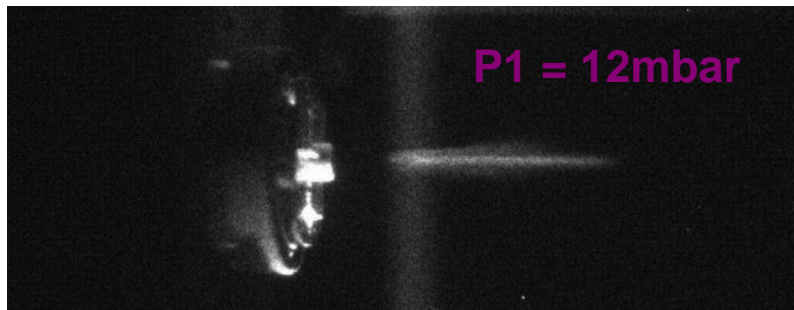
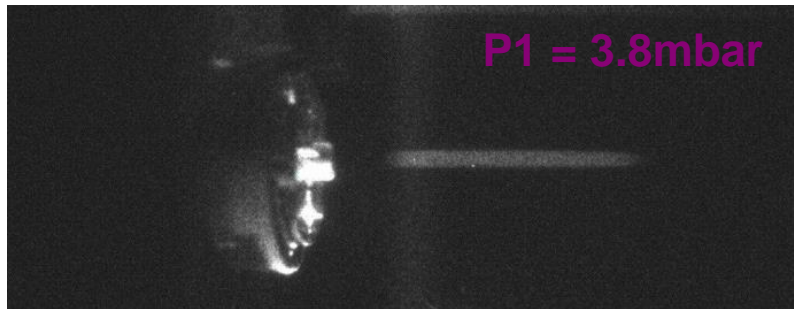
ICCD camera from ANDOR, an Oxford Instruments Company:



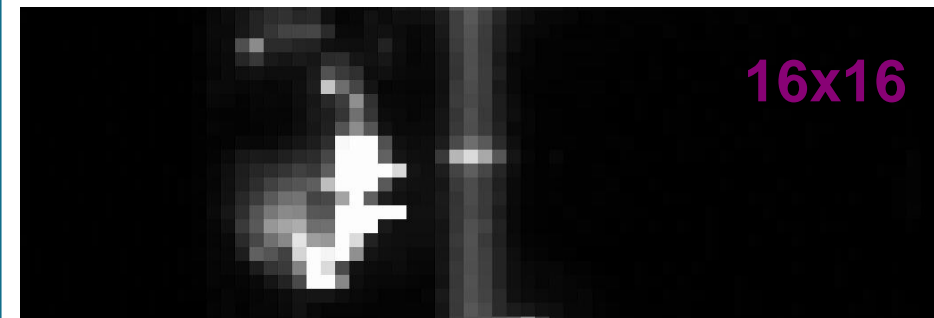
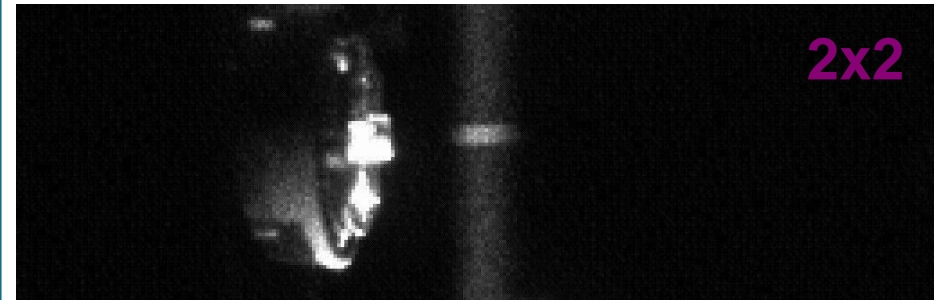
Acetone PLIF (transversal direction)

$P_0 = 1230\text{mbar}$; $P_{\text{jet}_5.5} = 3\text{mbar}$

Background pressure P_1 was varied during the test.

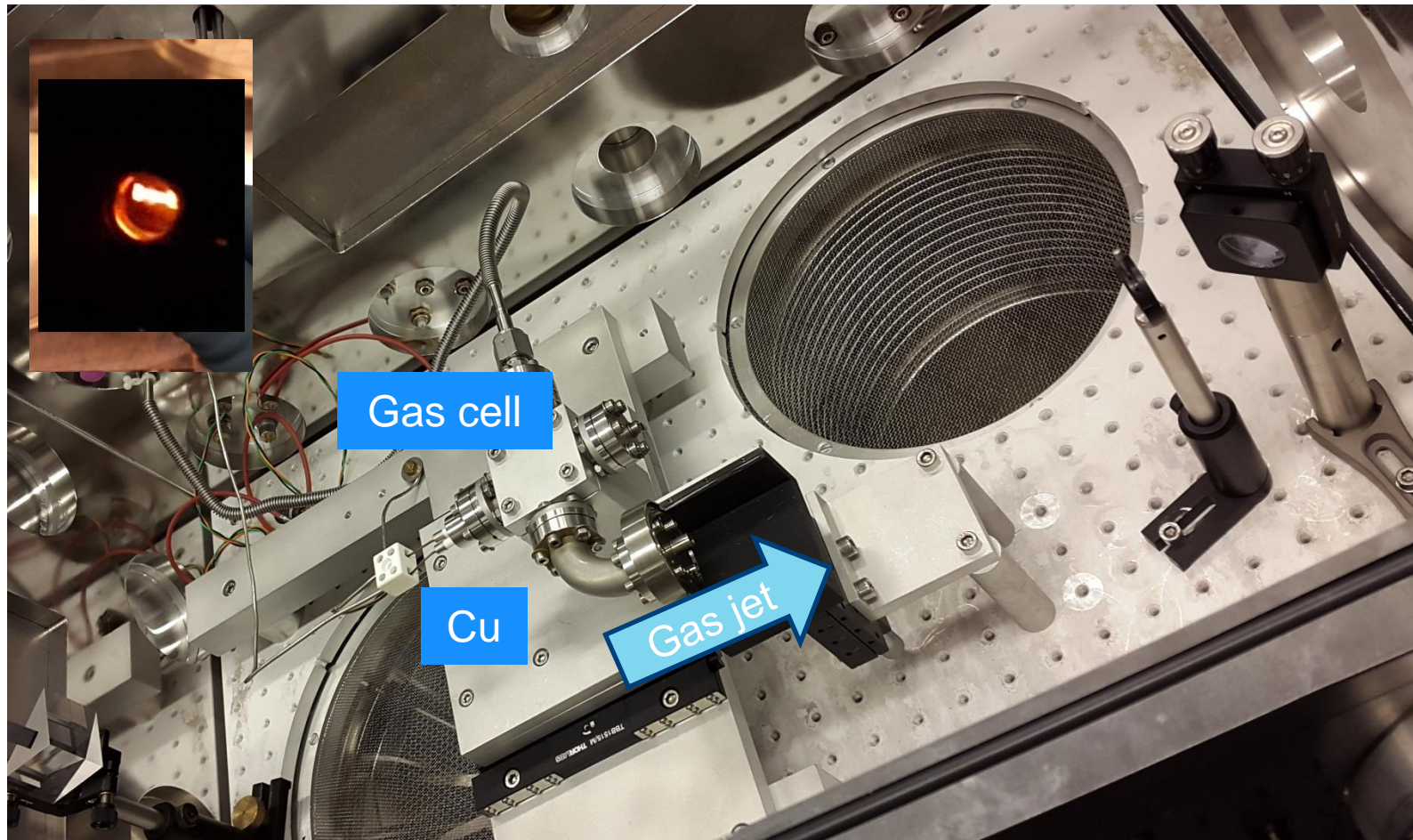


Binning.



Copper PLIF (the ongoing test)

ICCD camera from ANDOR, an Oxford Instruments Company:



Conclusions

- The first experimental tests on the visualization of the acetone supersonic gas jet were performed and the preliminary analysis shows a good agreement between the experimental data and the output from the computer simulations;
- More tests on searching for the copper fluorescence signal still need to be performed..

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